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Comments: After review of the materials provided for the Allotment 106 fencing project the USFWS would have the following comments:

1. No tree cutting from April 15 to October 31 during the Northern long-eared bat active season.
2. All work must be stopped if a whooping crane is sighted within one mile of the project location. USFWS must be notified of the sighting location.
3. Project area should be surveyed by a qualified biologist for suitable Dakota skipper habitat. If present, then occupancy surveys should be conducted by a USFWS permitted surveyor in areas of suitable habitat (June 10-July 25 flight period) to determine presence/absence.
4. Active eagle nests are present in the project area. 660' buffers are recommended during the breeding season Feb. 1- July 25.